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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed July 23, 1999, Applicant provides the following comments.

Reconsideration and reexamination are requested in view of the above amendments and the following remarks. Claims 1-27 remain pending.

Double patenting rejection

Claims 1-27 are rejected under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 1-25 of U.S. Patent 5,795,105. This rejection is respectfully traversed and reconsideration is requested in view of the following comments.

Although Applicant believes that claims 1-27 are patentable over the claims of US Patent 5,795,105, a terminal disclaimer is submitted herewith, obviating the obviousness-type double patenting rejection. Applicant is not conceding the correctness of the rejection. Reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejection are requested.